



County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services
WETBAR LIMITATIONS
ZONING DIVISIONS

The following are design limitations that are required to be met for the approval of a wetbar. Any portion of a design that exceeds these limitations shall be considered a kitchen. For such areas determined to be a kitchen, the subject area and the surrounding area of the structure shall be considered a dwelling unit and shall be required to comply with all applicable zoning regulations.

Wetbar Design Limitations:

1. Counter surfaces shall not exceed 10 feet in total length, nor shall wall cabinets. (This counter size standard shall apply to pool houses, etc. and to dwelling rooms that are distant, or isolated, from the main living area of a home.)
2. Only one single sink is allowed, 18" maximum length, with a maximum 1 ½ inch drain.
3. Only one compact refrigerator, freezer or ice maker (5 cubic feet maximum capacity) designed for placement under a counter and so installed.
4. No gas or 220 volt AC power outlets are allowed in the vicinity of the wetbar.
5. No other facility (including, but not limited to, stove, range, dishwasher, microwave, garbage disposal or trash compactor) used for the preparation of food shall be located within or near a wetbar.

Each wetbar must be designed in compliance with the above stated limitations and the plans appropriately noted so that in plan check it can be easily identified as a wetbar.